Lyman to West June 20, 1957

1. No similardeathsarereported from other parts of the country, but we do not get ro tine reports of deaths or medical conditions of braceros after they leave the Reception Center.

2. Mexican National agricultural workers entering the U.S.

Year	Total	El Centro, Calif.
1955	407,183	123,064
1956	453,000	164,849
1957(to June 15 on y)	175,000	75,000

3. What ki ds of serious illnesses do these workers experience while in the United States? Gastro-intestinal infections predominate. Pneumonia is second. Other information is not available at this time in statistical form.

4. What parts of Mexico do the contract laborers come from? No particular part. Laborers come from all States in Mexico.

5. What type of medical examinations do the workers receive on entering this country? Would pertinent information from these records be available to us regardig tne cases under investigation?

General inspecional examination at the Migratory Station in Mexico is done by groups of Mexican doctors under my supervision. Here braceros are selected who are free from contagious diseases and fit for hard labor. Smallpox vaccination is performed by Mexican nurses. At the Border Reception Center disinfestation is effected with 1% lindane. Examinations are made for venereal disease and treatment is given if indicated. 70 mm. chest photo-fluorography and rejection of suspected pulmonary tuberculosis or disabling conditions found. Blood serology and treatment if indicated is being carried out at ElCentro only at the present time. Theinformation below is all that is available on the cases youmention: 70 mm. chest x-ray and interpretation. Mecical records -- if the case reported for any treatment while at the ReceptionCenter.

8. Are there unusual narcotocs, beverages, medicines, foods and the like used by Mexicans? Nothing unusual.

9. In Mexico, are there causes of sudden natural deaths among young males unusual to this country? Unknown.